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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir,

In reply to the office action of March 25, 2005, it is respectfully requested the following remarks and an amendment<sup>1</sup> be entered and considered for further prosecution of the above mentioned application:

REMARKS

Claims 1-12, 14-24 are now pending as set forth in appendix one of this reply. New Claim 21 has been added to the current claims. Support for this claim can be found in the application on page 5, lines 12-14. Also, new claims 22-24 have been added. New claims 21-24 are all properly within group I. Furthermore, claims 1 and 11 have been amended and claim 13 canceled.

<sup>1</sup> The Claim Amendments as set forth in Appendix I of this paper.

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